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In re application of

Docket No: Q66850

Hitoshi ISHIZAKA

Appln. No.: 09/983,082

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Group Art Unit: 2841

Examiner: Not yet assigned

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement.

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Notice of Reason for Rejection

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Examiner of the Patent Office: Naritsugu Chiba, 8207 3P00

Agent for Applicant: Mr. Yoshito Fukushima

Applied Provision of the Statute: Clause 2 of Article 29

The present application should be rejected for reason under mentioned. In case of any opinions, a response may be filed within sixty (60) days from the mailing date of this Action.

Reasons

The inventions of the application defined in Claim 1 could be easily made by those ordinarily skilled in the art to which the invention pertains prior to the filing of the application, on the basis of an invention referred to in the under mentioned publication issued in Japan or foreign countries before the filing of the application. Thus, a patent could not be effected on the application under Clause 2 of Article 29 of the Japanese Patent Laws.

Remarks

Patent Publication No. JP 08-155796A

The invention claimed in Claim 1 is interpreted to be merely a combination of prior arts including a concept of compensation of errors which is disclosed in the above-mentioned publication. Accordingly what the applicant would like to assert patentability is not clear.

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Record of searching for prior art technical reference

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This record of searching for prior art technical reference does not constitute any rejecting reason.

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適用条文

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理由

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the document which is listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

A copy of the listed document is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date for an application other than a continued prosecution application (CPA) under §1.53(d); (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under

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37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required. Nevertheless, since a Statement

can be made, a Statement is submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language document, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a

foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with an

English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Communication

indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

The submission of the listed document is not intended as an admission that any such

document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any

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